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Summary

Main Features

Preliminary estimates show the total production of grapes for the 2006 harvest decreased by 3% from last year's record harvest to stand at 2.0 million tonnes. The largest producing state, South Australia, recorded a slight decrease in production (down 1% to 855,000 tonnes). Victorian production decreased by 5% to 524,000 tonnes and New South Wales production decreased by 1% to 504,000 tonnes.

The total area of vines reported decreased slightly to stand at 165,000 hectares in the 2006 season. This compares with the 2005 record estimate of 167,000 hectares. Decreases were reported in all the major growing states except Victoria.

GRAPES(a)

	Australia			2006p							
	2004	2005	2006p	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT
AREA OF VINES AT HARVEST (ha)											
Bearing	150,561	153,204	154,518	35,421	36,598	2,341	67,199	11,655	998	212	96
Not yet bearing: planted or grafted prior to collection year	7,800	7,369	6,027	1,814	1,593	203	1,809	426	179	-	2
Not yet bearing: planted or grafted during collection year	5,819	6,093	3,986	1,024	1,051	12	1,288	486	123	-	1
Total area of vines	164,181	166,665	164,530	38,259	39,242	2,556	70,297	12,566	1,300	212	99
GRAPE PRODUCTION (fresh weight) (t)											
Total production	2,014,965	2,026,500	1,970,530	503,618	524,365	11,601	855,260	68,294	5,389	1,307	696
Yield (t/ha)(b)	13.4	13.2	12.8	14.2	14.3	5.0	12.7	5.9	5.4	6.2	7.3

ha hectares

p preliminary data

t tonnes

- nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals. Varietal information will be available in **Australian Wine and Grape Industry** (cat. no. 1329.0) due for release in January 2007. (b) Yield represents the quantity of grapes produced per hectare of bearing vines.

About this Release

This release contains preliminary estimates for major items only from the vineyards collection. The availability of this data was previously signalled by the release of preliminary estimates from the ag surveys. However the vineyards data is now available before the main ag commodities and this release enables it to be made publically available earlier than other ag commodities.

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